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DEMOCRATIC TICKET ELECTION D. AY. NOVEMBER 6, 1906.

- For Congress, Third District, George R. Beirne, Kanawha County, For State Senate, R. F. Kidd, Gilmer County, For House of Delegates, D. L. Barlow, For Commissioner County Court, W. H. Hall, Superintendent of Schools, J. B. Grimes, For Prosecuting Attorney, F. R. Hill.

Edray District Ticket For Justice of the Peace, Uriah Bird.

President Board of Education, C. J. Richardson, Member Board of Education, George Demming, For Constable, C. H. McCoy.

HONORABLE GEORGE BYRNE

Democratic Nominee for Congress in Third District and HON. R. F. KIDD

State Senator of the 10th District

Will speak on the issues of the day at the following times and places in Pocahontas County:

Winterburn, October 24, 1906 at 1 p. m.

Durbin, October 24, at 7 p. m.

Greenbank, October 25, at 1 p. m.

Case, October 25, at 7 p. m.

Huntersville, October 26, at 1 p. m.

Marlinton, October 26, at 7 p. m.

Lobelia, October 27, at 1 p. m.

Academy, October 27, at 7 p. m.

Come out and hear these distinguished and eloquent speakers. Ladies especially invited.

Persons who have not been in our town for several years express surprise at the growth of our business interests. And well they might, when you come to think of it. We are no longer the small town of a back country. On main street even to day in the rain we see evidences of progressiveness. A large force of men are at work putting in a municipal sewer system, a large house is in course of erection; granolithic walk is being laid; a big crowd of hurrying people, and an up-to-date hotel; a newly outfitted hospital; two banks and bank buildings which would be a credit to any town; a dozen stores crowded with goods and custom to the very doors; herds of cattle and flocks of sheep being loaded for transportation to the eastern markets to furnish the best beef and mutton obtainable anywhere; teams loaded to the limit with high grade lumber, and the farmer's wagon with the produce of the country; electric lights and water works. Then there is the tannery and the sawmill with the large settlement around each, dependent upon the plants for their daily wage; the printing offices and the planing mills. Plumbing and tailor shops; meat markets, bakery, and harness shop. By another year we will have good streets and possibly work will have been commenced on this end of a railway which comes here from Addison, joining the Holly river road with the Chesapeake & Ohio opening up a large territory of the finest timber and coal. This is a good town now, and it has a future before it. Come and join us; if you do your share it will be well with you.

Another great mine disaster has occurred in West Virginia. Last week at a mine in the Pocahontas Coal Field in Mercer County an explosion of air caused the death of thirty five men and wrecked the costly outfit. This is the fifth great mine disaster in this State within the past year.

Mr. W. C. Shaffer, General Secretary of the West Virginia S. S. association will hold a Sunday School Rally in the Methodist Church at Academy next Sunday at 2:30 p. m. All are invited to attend.

J. D. Pore, County Pres.

Hon. Joseph H. Gaines, member of Congress from this district, addressed a large number of citizens at the Court House, Tuesday afternoon. He is a big, broad, honest, intelligent statesman, the peer of any man in politics in this State at least, and without an equal in the Republican party in West Virginia. A Pocahontas audience, though as a rule, composed of more than half Democrats, as was the case Tuesday, listen to what he has to say gladly though a great deal of his time may be taken up with a whole lot of partisan rot about the laws of supply and demand being controlled by the Republican party, and about the policy which is enriching the trusts at the expense of the consumer long the test for the country as a whole, as was also the case Tuesday.

We were not much impressed with what a protective tariff had done for wool and lumber, the two items he mentioned as most directly affecting his audience, as we happened to look at a market report and saw that wool now ranged in price from 20 to 28 cents for the unwashed product.

By the grace of the two dollar duty on each thousand feet of lumber, according to the Republican idea, the markets are saved from being glutted with the Canadian product, and the industries of the Greenbrier Valley are thus saved; if not altogether, at least to the sum of over a half million dollars yearly. This may have sounded logical when the profit on a thousand feet of lumber was but a few dollars, but the recent rise of six, eight, ten, twelve and even more dollars on the thousand in lumber would allow the Canadian saw mills to market their product in New York, after paying the duty, at four to ten dollars more than the former price of lumber, when the demand was not so great. If there ever was a danger, it is now.

We suppose Mr. Gaines says all these things he does not mean because he thinks he may owe something to the party upon whose ticket his name is, but we hope he will allow us to disillusion him and let us say that if we were not for the people who believe in him, the money of his boss ridden party in this state would have had him sidetracked years ago, as witnessed by the futile attack upon him by one Edwards, aided by the party bosses and the subsidized papers of this district.

Mr. Gaines is a member of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. To it was referred the railway rate bill, and from it came the effective rate legislation which was made almost useless by Elkins and his gang in the Senate. Mr. Gaines believes that when a corporation asks the aid of the inherent sovereign power of the state to control private property for public purposes, the state has a right to prescribe the powers and charges of the corporation. In a way, every railroad is an absolute monopoly, and competition is a very poor way to control railway rates, as most places have no competition, and if another railway is built, the patron of the road must pay the cost of building and maintaining. He maintains that as the State gives the railway the route, it has a right to make the rate.

This committee also recommended the Pure Food Law, which provides that all patent medicines and sealed food packages must bear on their label their ingredients, and insures the purity of all foods shipped from another State.

Mr. Gaines is opposed to indiscriminate immigration and believes that the corrupt politics of all the large cities is in no small degree responsible to the great influx of the offscouring of Europe being dumped here each year by the million.

He took occasion to pay his compliments to William Randolph Hearst by calling him the meanest man in America. He believes there is nothing too low down for him to do if it stands in the way of his unholy ambition for political preferment. He spoke in scathing terms of Hearst's attempt to cast a slur on those two great Democrats, Senator Bailey, of Texas, and the Minority Leader of the House, John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, whom he termed the most able leader the Democrats have had in decades, the best educated man in both branches of Congress, and a statesman honest in every particular. Mr. Gaines also spoke of his admiration for William J. Bryan as a man.

NOTES BY THE WAY

September 21, 1906, it became my solemn duty to respond to a request to officiate at the burial of Mrs. Fannie Rodgers, an aged lady, at the Buckeye Cemetery, and so I was at the Marlinton station for the morning train. While waiting, a part of the time was passed in conversing with two elderly citizens. One of them had just heard of the sudden death of Mr. Lanty Hickman. Mr. Hickman and himself had married sisters, and had been associates for much of their lives. We three seemed to realize the pathos of having come to the margin and had every reason for expecting that we also were soon to die. For so many we had known had already crossed the flood, while others were crossing now one by one, at such brief intervals.

One of the party remarked that in younger days, he had imagined that when old age came on, a person would have the impulse to think more seriously of death, but he had found it differently. Another observed, it was not thus with him, for the older he became the more he felt himself disposed to study about dying and trying to have his affairs in such a form, as to have nothing to do but answer the call, and follow whither the mysterious messenger might lead through the shadows, and he so near him that nothing but the shadow would touch him. Before the third party could give his thoughts on the subject something intervened and we separated.

When boarding the train I found its management in the keeping of strangers. In the short run to Buckeye, time was had for a brief reverie awakened by the news of Lanty Hickman's death. He was a son of Roger Hickman, a prominent citizen of Bath Co., Va. Roger Hickman was one of my first Ruling Elders in the first years of my ministry and he always impressed me, as a truly good man. His older brother, Rev. Wm. Hickman was a well known minister in Southwest Virginia. While I was student at Lexington, Va., this minister visited that place, soliciting funds for the grand new church at Wytheville. He made a hit that netted him a good many shekels, when he told the people that while there was a good building there, on the outskirts of the town, and while it seemed no special inconvenience for the ladies to attend, the gentlemen had found church attendance so inconvenient and wearisome they had about quit the church. The ladies were so solicitous for the spiritual well-being of their husbands and sons, not to specify farther, that they wanted a new church where it would suit the convenience of the gentlemen to attend religious services, with beneficial regularity.

Parson Hickman's endowments natural and acquired, made him a peer of the more efficient Pastors of his times. He happened to be with the Confederate troops, the day that the battle of Cloyd's farm, was fought. Though more than sixty years of age, he took a musket and went into action, and when he was mortally wounded, he had time to remark with remarkable self-possession, "Boys, my work is done." His is one of the names that will be long remembered, and the story of his life from youth to the bloody day of his death, would be more than a short and simple annual, illustrating what energy, self-reliance and a good conscience will accomplish, in spite of all drawbacks.

When Buckeye station was announced, the iron horse seemed to be so much on his mettle and so hard on the bit that he would not be still long enough for me the solitary passenger for that point, and so by the time I hurriedly reached the steps, he began moving off. By prompt action of the conductor and brakeman, he checked up before going many rods and I was politely helped off. And so all is well that ends well. As the steam horse was just from above, and heading for Reverse where things are not so dry, I have no hard thoughts about his being in such a hurry and restlessness, and I will try him again the first chance I may have. As I left the station where I seemed at first to be the only one around, Josiah Buckley, Jr., emerged to view, and with him I went to the old Buckley home, regardless of the muddy road intervening. This

place has been in the Buckley family for more than a hundred and thirty years.

Several pleasant hours and a nice dinner were enjoyed. The old home is occupied at present by John Buckley, the third, and family, who is a great grandson of the pioneer John Buckley. While here I picked up a copy of the Commoner and read the most of Bryan's Madison Square address. I find the story as he tells it a very different thing from the opinion I had formed of its meaning, as given and commented on by the papers I had read previously. Whenever best friends miss a person's meaning, it should not be surprising that others however honest their intentions, should make funny mistakes and a poor flat of it, generally in their own favor.

With a good large crop, and a new house on hands, with none but himself and boys to do the work, John and his wife think that that they are having the busy time of their lives just now. Lum Silva is making arrangements for a new house. Hassel Walton, a well known teacher of public schools, is building near the parsonage on the opposite bluff overlooking East Buckeye. Mrs. Ada McNeil, at whose home I was a welcome visitor, and others, have made nice improvements in West Buckeye. While I was at Mr. McNeil's, two little girls, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Enoch McNeil, came in. They are descendants by the fourth remove of Col. John Baxter, one of the foremost citizens of Pocahontas Co. in the formative period of its history.

It is my impression from what I have heard of his appearance, that the face of one of these little girls, Nellie, reproduces his features as nearly as it may be possible for a child to resemble an ancestor. Saturday morning while in the act of going to the station with my venerable friend the postal agent of Buckeye, Charley Prior, a worthy colored man from the Levels, came along in his buggy and after a brief dicker I was his passenger to Marlinton. While it may be true that sore knees may be good things for a preacher to have, they are objectional in horses, nevertheless Charley's sorrel Maud made good time and the buggy ride was nicely and safely accomplished.

The five or six humming wires of the new far distance telephone started us on a talk about the marvels of the current times, whose presence makes it so conclusive that nothing less than the power of a Divine Being could make them possible. Charley Prior observed that about the time he was becoming a "man grown" he thought a great deal about what was going on, and had almost made up his mind there was no God, "because if there was a God, things would be different." One day about noon he was driving his team in from the field when there was a flash, and a sharp, terrible peal of thunder that made him unconscious and put him out of his senses, so he could not speak for sometime, but when he could say anything he could not help saying, "Truly there is an Almighty God." And from that time that there is a God is a sure thing with Charley, and he has tried to live accordingly.

So it seems if there is one sacred song Charley would like better than another it is the one whose first verse is, 'T is by the faith of joys to come, We walk through deserts dark as night, Till we arrive at heaven our home, Faith is our guide and faith our light. Shade Trees as Property.

The supreme court has decided that the shade trees surrounding a man's premises are his property even though they stand upon public ground. The case in which this decision was rendered was one in which a property owner sued a telephone company for cutting off the limbs of some of his shade trees and otherwise marring their beauty and usefulness. The owner of the trees was given judgment for the full amount claimed. Under the decision house movers, telephone and telegraph companies, etc., who so often chop off great branches, are liable to damages unless the consent of the property owner is secured.

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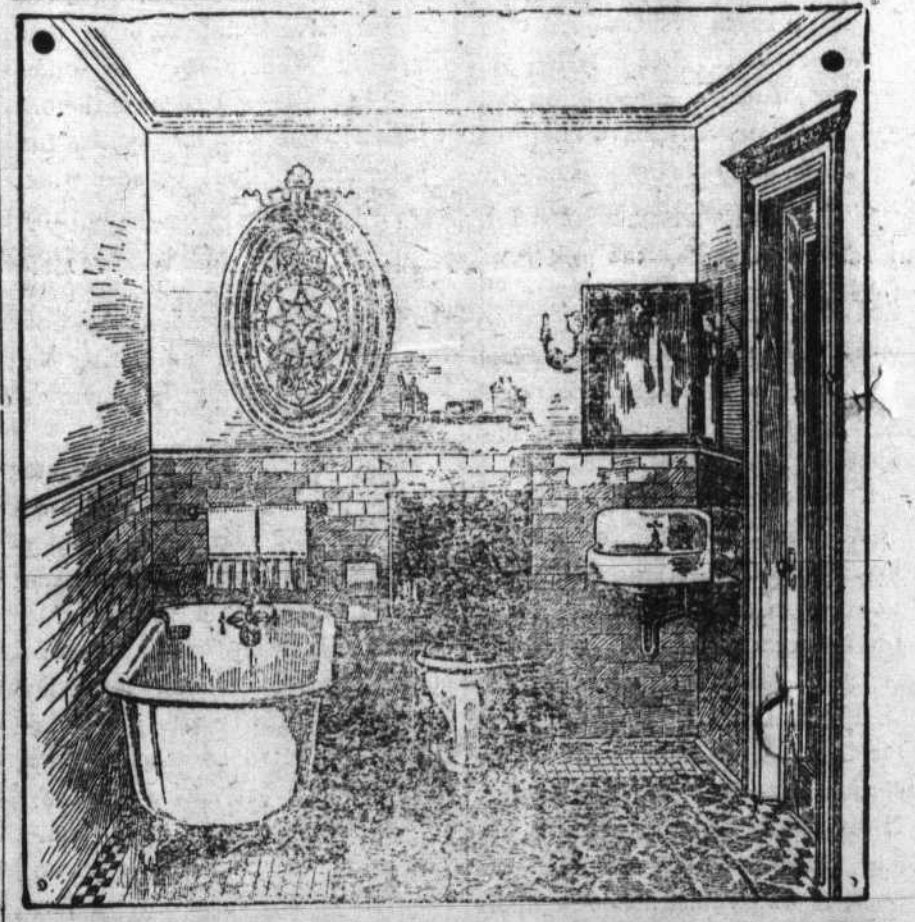
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